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POSITION OF THE COPPER MARKET WHEN WAR ENDS

Pessimists claim termination of war will be accompanied by collapse—Other producers optimistic.

New York.—What will be the position of the copper market when the demand for the metal for ammunition manufacture ceases? Will there be a slump, or a further rise? The Engineering and Mining Journal writes on the subject as follows:

"The remarkable improvement of copper during the first quarter of 1915 renewed the course of copper producers. They are now enjoying a prosperity that six months ago no one ventured to hope. However, it is recognized that the recent great demand for copper has been chiefly for military purposes (the consumption for peaceful purposes in this country has failed so far to increase materially) and producers are already considering the question of the prospects for copper after the war.

"There are two views. The pessimistic view is that termination of the war will be accompanied by a collapse in the copper market, owing to the production being far in excess of the consumption when the military buying ceases. Those who take this view consider that after the war the countries of Europe will be prostrate, lacking the means even to build what has been destroyed.

"On the other hand, the optimistic consider that Europe will not be prostrate, that rebuilding will be inaugurated immediately and the enormous quantities of copper will have to be purchased at once in order to replenish the normal stocks of manufacturers, estimated at several months' supply on the average, which already have been drawn down to the irreducible minimum, especially in Germany, in order to carry on the war. Those taking this view believe that termination of the war will be followed by a slump in copper but by a further rise."

MONTREAL CASH SALES

Montreal, Wednesday, April 21.—C. P. R. Notes—10,000 @ 103 1/2, 10,000 @ 103 1/2.

Cedars Bonds—500 @ 86, 10,000 @ 86, 1,000 @ 86, 10,000 @ 86.

Canada Com.—5 @ 64 1/2, 50 @ 64 1/2, 500 @ 64 1/2, 5 @ 64 1/2, 50 @ 64 1/2, 500 @ 64 1/2.

Textile—175 @ 75 1/2, 175 @ 75 1/2, 50 @ 75 1/2.

Cement Pfd.—6 @ 90 1/2.

Tram. Debentures—1,000 @ 81 1/2.

Dom. Iron—375 @ 30 1/2, 150 @ 30 1/2.

5 @ 30.

Shawinigan—100 @ 126 1/2, 10 @ 127.

Montreal Power—233 @ 228.

Steel Co. of Canada—360 @ 123 1/2, 20 @ 13.

Bell Telephone—50 @ 136.

Car Pfd.—75 @ 98 1/2, 2 @ 98.

Canada Car—22 @ 65, 250 @ 61 1/2, 50 @ 61, 25 @ 62, 50 @ 63, 25 @ 64, 25 @ 64 1/2, 5 @ 65, 5 @ 66, 100 @ 67 1/2, 165 @ 69, 310 @ 70.

Toronto Ry.—25 @ 114 1/2, 10 @ 114.

Detroit—15 @ 64.

Ogilvie Com.—15 @ 128.

Lake of Woods—50 @ 135.

McDonalds—5 @ 9.

Wayagamack—25 @ 31 1/2, 30 @ 31.

N. S. Steel—5 @ 63 1/2, 525 @ 63, 35 @ 63 1/2.

Quebec Ry.—25 @ 13 1/2, 4 @ 14 1/2.

Winnipeg—18 @ 180.

Spanish River—70 @ 5 1/2.

Dom. Bridge—200 @ 113, 25 @ 115 1/2, 1 @ 114.

B. C. Canners—25 @ 121.

Ames—10 @ 8.

Porcupine Crown—50 @ 80.

Hillcrest—50 @ 24.

Dom. Cotton Bonds—10,000 @ 101.

Wayagamack Bonds—600 @ 74 1/2, 2,500 @ 74.

Quebec Bonds—500 @ 50 1/2.

Bank of Montreal—4 @ 235 1/2.

Royal Bank—3 @ 221 1/2.

Morning.

Cedars Bonds—1,000 @ 86.

Steamships Com.—25 @ 9 1/2.

Steamships Pfd.—5 @ 59.

Brazilian—20 @ 57 1/2, 45 @ 57.

Tram. Power—25 @ 40 1/2.

Dom. Iron—100 @ 29 1/2, 40 @ 29 1/2, 25 @ 29 1/2, 35 @ 29 1/2.

Shawinigan—25 @ 127.

Montreal Power—25 @ 228.

Steel Co. of Canada—25 @ 123 1/2.

Canada Car—25 @ 69, 6 @ 70.

Toronto Ry.—45 @ 114, 5 @ 114 1/2.

25 @ 113 1/2, 5 @ 113.

Ogilvie Com.—20 @ 128.

Lake of Woods—20 @ 135 1/2, 20 @ 135.

Laurentide—10 @ 167.

Crown Reserve—100 @ 90, 200 @ 89.

Porc. Crown—100 @ 85, 100 @ 84.

Wayagamack—10 @ 31.

N. S. Steel—40 @ 63.

Quebec Ry.—50 @ 14, 5 @ 14 1/2, 50 @ 14 1/2.

Molson Bank—25 @ 201.

Smart Woods—10 @ 26.

Dom. Bridge—50 @ 114 1/2, 25 @ 115 1/2, 25 @ 116 1/2, 50 @ 116 1/2, 167 @ 116.

Ames Holden—50 @ 8.

Penmans—10 @ 53.

WINNIPEG WHEAT CLOSE.

May 158 1/2

July 158 1/2

UNITED STATES STEEL UNDER PRESSURE; FAILED TO AFFECT OTHER LEADERS, HOWEVER

Yesterday's market had frequent periods of dullness—London reported buoyant tone for American securities—High record for trading in bonds.

New York, April 21.—The most notable feature of today's irregular stock market was its frequent periods of relative dullness, in striking contrast to recent feverish sessions. Despite the apparent falling away in business, however, transactions again exceeded one million shares for the seventh consecutive full session.

On the surface, there were indubitable signs that what is vaguely known as the substantial interests, including a large proportion of the professional element, had renewed operations on the selling side under cover of speculative gains in the specialties. Rock Island was once more a disturbing factor, declining below its minimum price of the previous session and constituting one of the most active issues in the list. Heaviness in this stock found immediate reflection in the southwestern group of railroads, which fell three to six points, presumably on apprehension that these properties might be handicapped in their impending financial readjustments.

United States Steel was under steady pressure, and early in the session relinquished leadership to Amalgamated Copper, which, with allied stocks, constituted the most impressive features of the list. The further advance of the metal shares was concurrent with yet another rise in the quoted price of the commodity, coupled with circumstantial reports that the British government had virtually acquired control of all the available supply in this market.

Steel's failure to move with other leaders was ascribed to authoritative trade advisers, which confirmed Chairman Gary's recent statement, and pointed out that production was still in excess of demand, despite the recent placing of large equipment orders. London reported a buoyant tone for our securities, but that did not prevent further selling for foreign account here. Other developments touching upon the foreign situation included weakness in German exchange and an easier tendency to remittances on Rome. Total sales of stocks amounted to 1,010,000 shares.

Trading in bonds marked a high record for more than a year. A very considerable part of the day's business was in New York Central debenture 6's at a further advance. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$7,550,000.

World's Shipping News

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

PHASES OF THE MOON—APRIL

Last Quarter ... 6th 4h 12m p.m.

New Moon ... 14th 7h 36m a.m.

First Quarter ... 22nd 11h 39m a.m.

Full Moon ... 29th 10h 19m a.m.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived Wednesday, April 21.

Stmr. Start Point, 2401, Pinkham, London via Halifax, Wm. Thomson & Co. general cargo.

Stmr. Caraque, 2975, Smith, Demerara, West Indies and Bermuda, Wm. Thomson & Co. mails, passengers and general cargo.

Sch. Moana, 354, Gayton, Philadelphia for Fredericton, P. McIntyre.

Sailed.

Stmr. Corsican, Hall, Liverpool via Halifax, Wm. Thomson & Co.

Sch. Minnie Slauson, Dickson, New York.

Stmr. Dunderberg, 2948, trans-Atlantic port, with hay, etc.

Stmr. Calvin Austin, Mitchell, Boston via Maine ports.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Halifax—Arr. April 19, str. Start Point, Pinkham, London.

BRITISH PORTS.

Glasgow—Arr. April 18, str. Sardinian, Philadelphia.

Liverpool—Arr. April 18, str. Metagama, St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Calais—Arr. April 19, sch. Maitland, St. George, N. B.

Vineyard Haven—Arr. April 19, schs. Rebecca M. Walls, Guttenberg; Scotia Queen, Parraboro; Talmouth, Sherbrooke.

MARINE NOTES.

STEAMSHIP NOTES.

The Royal Mail S. S. Caraque, Capt. Smith, arrived from Demerara, West Indies and Bermuda yesterday afternoon with mails, passengers and general cargo.

The Business Line S. S. Start Point, Capt. Pinkham, from London via Halifax with general cargo arrived in port last night.

Allan Line S. S. Corsican, Capt. Hall, sailed yesterday for Liverpool via Halifax with mails and passengers.

Shipping Illustrated: It is stated that at the instance of the Colonial Office the Overseas Prize Committee has offered Jamaica the use of the Norwegian prize Thor, which has been lying at St. Lucia, and this vessel will load cargo at Savannah-la-Mar for the United Kingdom.

It is announced by the Secretary of the Documentary Committee of the London Chamber of Commerce that a new form of charter-party for deal and other wood cargoes from British North America has been issued, and that it will become operative April 15. It is further understood that some business has already been done through London timber importers on the new charter, but Liverpool timber merchants are entering an emphatic protest against it, and resolutely decline to accept it, as the basis of business, their contention being that the terms and conditions stipulated for are far too complicated and totally unsuitable for the requirements of the trade in general, and they further aver that they are finding no difficulty whatever in getting offers of tonnage

CANADA'S BOND SALES IN UNITED STATES

Washington, April 21.—Since the part of last December, sales of Canadian provincial government, corporation and municipal bonds in the United States have totalled more than \$73,000,000. Since the war began, there has been only one sale of Canadian securities in England. That was the flotation of the \$25,000,000 Dominion loan in London at the end of March. A fairly large amount of municipal bonds of all Canadian bonds during the past four months were made in the following markets: Canada, \$9,937,022; Great Britain, \$25,000,000; the United States, \$73,000,000, making a total of \$107,937,022.

American investments in Canadian industries exclusive of agriculture, aggregated, up to last year, \$630,000,000. It is believed that the total is now nearing the billion mark.

Canada is expected to have for sale during 1915 high grade securities to the amount of at least \$200,000,000. Most of the bonds offered thus far by Canada have been taken up in New York, Chicago and Boston.

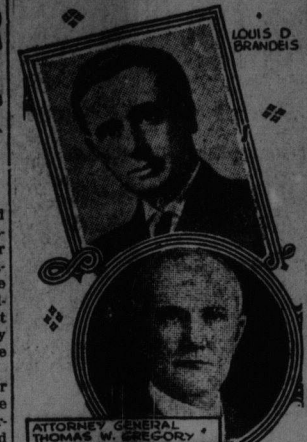
MIRAMICHI LUMBER CUT NEARLY DOUBLE THAT OF LAST YEAR

Newcastle, April 21.—The Newcastle Red Cross shipped 110 pairs of socks to the St. John branch on Monday (yesterday). Boxes are shipped from here nearly every week.

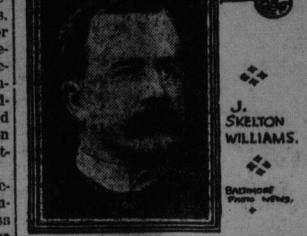
The ice is running out of the south-

OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN BIG BANKING CASE

Decline followed admonitory trade statement—War specialties took secondary position in day's trading.



LOUIS D. BRANDIS, ATTORNEY GENERAL.



JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS, CONTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

The Wilson administration is to bend every energy to defend William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury; John Skelton Williams, Controller of the Currency; and John Burke, Treasurer of the United States, in the injunction proceedings against them by the Riggs National Bank. The Attorney General will have the aid of Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, and Jesse C. Adkins, one-time Assistant Attorney General, and it is predicted the battle will go to a finish.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET SALES

	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	10.95	10.84	10.84
Mar.	11.14	11.02	11.02
May.	10.22	10.10	10.13
July.	47	35	37
Oct.	78	63	66

west and northwest branches of the Miramichi. The lumber output of the mills along the river promises to be nearly doubled this season.

Mrs. A. H. Dickie, of Douglastown, has sold her house and lot to Vincent McKinnon, and has purchased Rev. S. J. MacArthur's farm here.

The long-talked-of hospital will be erected here this summer.

Extensive alterations are being made in the I. C. R. station. A restaurant will be put in the office enlarged and the Station Master's residence moved.

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U.S. STEEL LOST 4 POINTS IN FINAL HOUR OF TRADING

Decline followed admonitory trade statement—War specialties took secondary position in day's trading.

New York, April 19.—Investment stocks rose three to five points in the first four hours of today's record breaking session, but lost a considerable part of their gains in the final hour, when United States Steel fell back four points on an admonitory trade statement issued by its chief executive.

Steel had led the early advance, not so much in actual gain as in its activity, and its leadership was accepted as further proof of the inherent strength of the speculative situation. On its decline in the late trading it carried other seasoned shares down two to four points, obliterating some gains entirely, and reducing others to nominal proportions. Steel closed at 57 1/2, a maximum decline of four points and a net loss of two. The general list made some recovery from the low levels touched in the final hour, but the market's tone at the end was irregular and confusing.

Erstwhile war specialties, with a few exceptions, were relegated to positions of secondary importance throughout the session. New York Air Brake and several other equipment issues yielding much of last week's gains. Not all the specialties were sent to the rear, however, as was seen in the further phenomenal rise in Mexican Petroleum, with a sympathetic advance in Texas Company. American Woolen also gained five points on rumors of additional war orders.

Among the better known shares the coppers held rather more consistently than any others, their strength being accompanied by another rise in the refined metal. Rock Island was most the only railway stock to hold back throughout, losing three and a quarter points. All general news of the day, which included railway advances from the west, pointing to a moderate reduction of the tonnage movement, and some firmness in exchange on Germany, was ignored in the day's feverish market movements. Total sales of stocks amounted to almost 1,500,000 shares, exceeding all records since 1911. Trading in bonds exceeded all recent days with an upward trend. Inquiry for the New York Central debenture 6's on steady advances was the noteworthy feature. Total sales of bonds, par value, aggregated \$6,536,000.

United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Chicago, April 21.—Wheat, No. 2 red, 1.60 @ 1.60 1/2; No. 2 hard, 1.60 1/2; Corn—No. 2 yellow, 79; No. 4 yellow, 77 1/2 @ 77 3/4.

Oats—No. 3 white, 57 1/2 @ 58; standard, 58 1/2 @ 58 1/2.

Rye—No. 2, 1.17.

Barley—74 @ 82.

Timothy—4.60 @ 6.25.

Clover—8.00 @ 12.75.

Pork—17.45; lard, 9.97; ribs, 9.37 @ 10.00.

WINNIPEG OATS CLOSE.

May 65 1/2

July 65 1/2

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Anaconda 38 1/2 38 1/2 37 1/2 37 1/2

Am Tele 122 1/2 123 122 1/2 122 1/2

Atchafalpa 104 1/2 104 1/2 103 1/2 104

Am Can 37 1/2 38 1/2 36 1/2 36 1/2

Balt and O Co 79 1/2 79 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2

Beth Steel 140 150 140 142

Brook Rap Tr 92 1/2 93 92 92

Butte and Sup 55 1/2 56 1/2 54 1/2 54 1/2

C F I 34 34 33 1/2 33 1/2

Ches and Ohio 49 1/2 49 1/2 48 1/2 48 1/2

Cons Gas 127 129 127 128 1/2

Cent Leath 42 1/2 43 1/2 41 1/2 41 1/2

Can Pac 171 1/2 172 169 1/2 169 1/2

Penn 110 111 110 111 1/2

Gr Nor Pfd 122 123 121 1/2 121 1/2

Lehigh Val 145 145 143 1/2 144

Miss Pac 17 1/2 17 1/2 16 1/2 16 1/2

NY NH and H 71 71 68 1/2 68 1/2

N Y Cent 92 1/2 92 1/2 90 1/2 91 1/2

Nor and West 105 1/2 105 1/2 105 1/2

Nor Pac 111 1/2 111 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2

Un Pac Com 134 1/2 134 1/2 133 1/2 133 1/2

U S Steel Com 58 1/2 58 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2

U S Steel 58 1/2 58 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2

U S Rub Com 71 71 68 1/2 69

Westing Elec 84 84 83 1/2 83 1/2

Total sales—1,002,000 shares.

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